

AUTOMOBILE RACE HISTORY AT STATE FAIR THIS YEAR

CIRCULAR DIRT TRACK CHAMPION HOPES TO SHATTER ALL PRIOR RECORDS

The Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition race track, which was the battleground for half a dozen of the world's best auto drivers last year, will again be the scene of a gasoline battle this year that gives promise of adding a new red letter chapter to the history of speed.

Prominent among the speed demons of the world who have already entered the 1914 contests to which they may be eligible is Louis Disbrow, who declared last year that he could make a new record on the State Fair track. The fifteen thousand spectators who received thrills that are still with them, will not have to be reminded of how Disbrow, driving his Simplex Zip, made a mile in 1 minute, 53.5 seconds, thereby creating a new world's record for a half mile track.

Encouraged by the remarkable time made last year, Disbrow says in a letter to the management of the Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition that he has every reason to believe that he can shatter all prior dirt track records during the 1914 auto meet on the last two days of the State Fair, which opens Sept. 22 and closes on Oct. 3. Disbrow was among the first to enter when the management announced that something like \$7,000



Louis Disbrow

World's champion circular dirt track driver who will thrill thousands at the Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition, Oklahoma City, Sept. 22 to Oct. 3.

would be distributed in prizes this year. This big sum will insure the entry of racing machines worth at least \$100,000 and bring together the greatest array of automobile stars ever before assembled in the Southwest.

In the words of a spectator last year, "the Derby may fill the grandstand, but it takes the automobile races to bring out a real crowd." And this was literally true, for never before has there been such a crowd in the big grandstand.

CARE OF KAFIR FOR SEEDING

TIME TO STUDY OUT A SCIENTIFIC SYSTEM OF TESTING AND PRESERVING.

PICKLING PROCESS IS DESCRIBED

A Little Care in the Next Few Months Spells the Difference Between Success and Failure of Your Crop Next Year.

The 1914 crop of Kafir will soon be in the silos and granaries. As soon as it leaves the fields, work should begin on the 1915 crop. Killing one fly in February means forty million less in August; just so, an hour spent in selecting seed this fall means a hundred-fold better crop next year.

Select only the big, vigorous stalks for seed. Be sure they are well formed, productive and free from all insects and blemishes. It will be time well spent to "thresh" out your seed by hand.

Insuring Against Smut

There are three things to do with seed: Examine for weed seed, examine for vitality (by germination test), pickle the clean, viable seed to kill germs of smut.

To pickle kafir seed is an easy job, consisting of but three operations, namely: Spread the seed kafir on a clean floor or on canvas.



Sprinkle with solution of Formalin, secured at any drug store.

The Wicked Bible.

The "Wicked Bible" was the name given to an edition of the authorized scriptures, printed in London in 1631, by Robert Barker and Martin Lucas. It was so named from the fact that the negative was left out of the Seventh Commandment, a piece of carelessness for which the printer was made to pay a fine of 3,000 pounds sterling.

Something in That, Too.

That more men fail as grocers than in any other retail trade is attributed by Harvard experts to bad bookkeeping, but the fact that many people would rather pay for millinery or whiskey than settle their grocery bills has something to do with it.

Sun Causes Brilliant Effect.

The brilliant colors of the clouds, often long after the sun has set, are, of course, due to the fact that the sun is still shining on them and they are reflecting a certain part of this light through the darkening air to the earth.

Just Life a Trust Magnate.

In the second grade of a public school the teacher saw a little boy pass a note to the little girl across the aisle. On opening it she read, "dear Kathleen will you be my boy. I had one girl once but she wanted everything I saw.—George."

To Clean Mother-of-Pearl.

Mother-of-pearl articles that have become dull and blurred may be restored by cleaning them with pure olive oil, then applying ordinary nail brush and rubbing with chamolis.

FALL SEEDING OF CLOVER IS PREFERABLE



Nitrogen Nodules Upon Clover Root.

(By W. H. UNDERWOOD.) Some farmers think that fall is the best time in which to sow clover seed, while others are equally sure that spring is the best. If the right kind of seed is provided and the seed bed properly prepared, the seeding may be successfully done either in the spring or in the fall. If, however, poor seed is sown and the ground is not properly prepared, there is liable to be a failure, no matter when the work is done.

I have had success in sowing both in the fall and in the spring. I cannot see much difference. Fall sowing is generally preferable, because it can be done at a time when there is not so much rush work on the farm. This being true, a better job can be done, and consequently a better stand will be the result.

When I intend to sow clover in the fall, I plow the ground about the middle of August. About ten days after being plowed it is harrowed thoroughly and leveled with a long float. This float is made similar to a road-drag and in passing over the field, it levels the ground very smoothly. Either in the spring or fall seeding this float should be used.

In about a week after the ground has been harrowed and leveled with the float, it is worked again with the

harrow, followed by a light plunger. Then I sow the seed in rows, placing on about three pecks to the acre, and harrow the ground twice, once each way. After this is done I sow the clover seed at the rate of 15 pounds to the acre, and give the ground one light harrowing.

The next year the rye is cut for hay just after it is going out of the bloom, or is cut for green feed for the stock. The clover rarely fails to come on rapidly and generally produces a good second crop.

Another plan that I have followed with very good success is to plow the ground about the middle of September, harrow it thoroughly and the following spring, about the time the frost is going out of the ground, harrow it again and level with the float, then sow 20 pounds of clover to the acre. The setting of the water will carry the seed sufficiently into the soil to cover it so that it will sprout more readily.

I am very particular about preparing a good seed bed. I believe the failure to do this is one of the greatest reasons why some farmers fail in securing a satisfactory stand of clover. I use nothing but the best plum seed, running all that I sow through the fanning mill to insure the removal of all weed seed and impurities.



Alsike Clover.

POULTRY NOTES

The Chinese geese make good sitters.

Grit enables the gizzard to prepare the food for digestion. If possible only infertile eggs should be sent to market.

Abundance without variety will wear the breeding stock out quickly. Fertile eggs deteriorate rapidly in warm weather and are the cause of much loss.

Good feeding sometimes consists more in utilizing waste products and cheap feeds than in getting larger results.

FARMER MAKES TWO PROFITS

Need for Making Special Study of Combining Feeding Crops to Realize Increased Returns.

We need to make a special study of combining our feeding crops if we would realize an increased profit from feeding them out on our own farms. To make a foolish of our manure crop and conduct unprofitable stock feeding can never work out as a safe principle in farm management. The man who grows crops at less cost than they sell for and feeds them out on his farm and realizes more for them than the market price is making two profits.

USE OF THE CURRANT

MANY WAYS OF SAVING THIS HEALTHFUL FRUIT.

Because of its Constituents, Potash, Tartaric Acid and Grape Sugar, the Currant Has Good Effect on Digestion.

Currents, in spite of their rather insignificant place on our bills of fare—save in the form of jelly—are decidedly beneficial to humanity. For their chief constituents, potash, tartaric acid, which give them their sharpness, and grape sugar, are all easily digested substances and all have value. English dietists, especially, harp on the health-preserving qualities of this small fruit.

Perhaps the reason for the limited use of currants is that most cooks have a limited way of presenting them. Currant jelly, of course, is known in every household.

And some cooks know the delicacy of currants chilled through, removed from their stems, and served with an ice-cold sirup of sugar and water poured over them, in the French fashion. Occasional other methods of serving currants are rife. But on the whole, they are usually served in a monotonous natural state when they are in season and in an incessant jelly state after their season has gone by.

Currant jelly is not to be derided, in spite of the fact that it is ever present. Here is a reliable recipe for making it:

Wash nicely washed currants and put them in cheesecloth bags. Hang the bags so that the juice will strain through and leave them hanging for eight or ten hours. Then measure the juice and for every cupful allow a cupful of granulated sugar. Heat the sugar in a flat pan in the oven, but do not brown it or melt it. Boil the clear juice for five minutes, then add the sugar, and stir until dissolved. Just before it reaches the boiling point after the sugar is added, remove from the fire and pour into glasses that have been scalded. When the jelly is good cover it with paraffine.

Currant catsup suggests another way of preserving currants. Wash and stem the currants, and to four pounds of the fruit, after it is prepared, add two pounds of brown sugar and a pint of good cider or wine vinegar. Simmer gently in a porcelain pan until thick. Then add a teaspoonful of cloves, a teaspoonful of ground cinnamon, and the same amount of ground pepper. Boil five minutes, strain and bottle.

Corn Bread (Southern Style).

Sift two cups of cornmeal twice with an even teaspoonful of soda and as much salt. Beat two eggs very light. Mix one teaspoonful of sugar in three cups of buttermilk or lopered milk, add the eggs and a tablespoonful of melted butter, lastly the prepared flour. Have ready three well greased deep jelly cake tins (warmed), divide the batter between them and bake in a quick oven. Eat hot.

Celery Salad.

Two heads of celery, one tablespoonful of salad oil, one-half teaspoonful of vinegar, a teaspoonful of granulated sugar, pepper and salt to taste. Wash well the celery, removing any unsightly parts, lay in ice water until wanted, then cut into pieces about an inch in length. Season with remaining ingredients. Mix well, line a salad bowl with lettuce leaves, put in celery and serve.

Mothers of Infants.

Take one good barrel hoop and cut in half, then connect the two half circles with stick about two feet long, cover same with netting and you have a very nice covering for baby that keeps all flies and dust away while he is sleeping. Another good feature is that when baby awakes the covering cannot become entangled with baby's always moving hands.

Apricot Cream.

Dissolve half an ounce of gelatine in one gill of milk. Cut half a tin of apricots into small pieces, add one tablespoonful of the sirup and one dessert-spoonful of sugar. Whip one gill of cream stiffly and add this with the soaked gelatine to the apricots and sugar. Pour into a mold and set on ice.

Green Gooseberry Ice.

Pick a quart of gooseberries and stew them with very little water and sugar to sweeten. When tender pass through a sieve and let the puree get cold, reduce it to a nice consistency with whipped cream or a thick custard, color with a few drops of vegetable green coloring and set on ice until wanted for table.

Portuguese Toast.

Melt one ounce of butter and fry one small onion. Add three tomatoes, skinned and cut up small, and season with salt and cayenne. Beat well three eggs and add these with one ounce of minced ham to the onion, and stir until the eggs are lightly set. Pour onto small rounds of toast and serve at once.

Beetroot Salad.

Mix slices of cold hard boiled egg, beetroot, cucumber and cold new potatoes. Season with salt and pepper and mix with a sauce made of stiffly whipped cream, to which one tablespoonful of vinegar has been whipped in gradually. Sprinkle finely chopped parsley over.

Libby's Luncheon Delicacies

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Mean Observation.

"Miss Oldgirl has such raven hair." "Yes, but it doesn't match her crows'-feet."

These June Brides.

"Ma'am, here's a man at the door with a parcel for you." "What is it, Bridget?" "It's a fish, ma'am, and it's marked C. O. D."

"Then make the man take it straight back to the dealer. I ordered trout."

—Kansas City Star.

Women Change Subject Too Often?

In the Woman's Home Companion Margaret Busbee Shipp, writing a love story entitled "Sweet Margaret," presents a character who comments, as follows, on women's conversation:

"I never had a sister, and I have never known how to talk to women. They embarrass me; they—er—change the subject so often, I never seem quite to catch up."

Absurd Comment.

Theodore Dreiser, the realist, said of an idealist at the Players' club in New York:

"The man's comments on life are ludicrous and absurd. They remind me of the old lady's comment on the work of the militant suffragettes."

"After the suffragettes in London had slashed a Valesquez, a Bellini and a Gentile, the old lady said, with a kind of saintly expression:

"But, thank goodness, they're all old pictures that are being slashed."

PRIZE FOOD.

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Ever read the above letter? A good one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.